

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner identified five species, four by corresponding figures and claims, and fifth not covered by any particular figure (relating to a tabulated wiring configuration disclosed in the application). By this response, Applicant advances a somewhat different association of the species, and elects to proceed on species A and C (or, if the Examiner does not agree with this selection, on species A alone) for further prosecution at the present time.

Specifically, in the Office Action, the Examiner identified species A, B, C and D, said to correspond to Figures 8, 9, 6 and 5, respectively. Further species E was said not to correspond to a figure. Upon careful analysis, it is believed that species A and species C could be prosecuted together. That is, the species relates to the insertion of first, second, third and fourth sets of coils through alternating ends of a stator core. This process is illustrated in Figures 6 and 7 of the application. Figure 6 represents exemplary steps in the process, while Figure 7 diagrammatically illustrates the positions of the core for such insertion. The two species are believed to be read generally on by claims 1-10 and 21-28. In the event the Examiner disagrees with this combination, Applicant hereby elects to proceed with species A, read on by claims 1-10 alone.

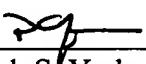
Species B relates to insertion of first and third coil groups through a first end of a stator core, and subsequent insertion of second and fourth coil groups through an opposite end of a stator core. This species is illustrated in Figures 8 and 9 of the application, as well as in Figure 10. The Examiner is correct in asserting that the species is read on by claims 11-20.

Should the Examiner wish to further discuss the analysis advanced in the present Response or the Election Requirement, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at his earliest convenience. In the event the Examiner finds that the present Response is not completely responsive to the Restriction Requirement, he is kindly asked

to consider this Response as a *bona fide* attempt to respond, and to contact the undersigned to complete or to clarify the Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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